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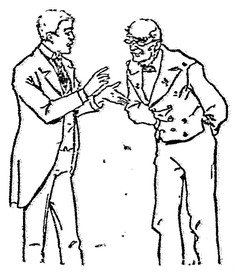
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Town Topics.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING. ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Cannot Be Hid."

Maying parties are common.

L. A. Roberts of Hanover, was in town Monday.

Lee Clough of Berlin, N. H., was in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Hastings spent Sunday in Portland.

Miss Burnham is confined to the house by a slight attack of gastritis.

State Veterinary Bailey was in town Saturday and condemned three horses.

For several days the Androscoggin has been so high as to cover the road in the vicinity of Alder river, and also the Mill brook bridge on the Steam mill road. At the later place it has became necessary to close the road to travel.

Mr. Chas. M. Kimball has been appointed by the selectmen a member of the board of health, in place of Mr. A. W. Grover, whose term expired this year. The board has organized, with Dr. C. D. Hill as chairman and E. C. Park as secretary.

The past week has been a busy one for the river drivers on the Androscoggin, and logs are running in abundance. Booms have been built to prevent their running back onto the intervale, and it is hoped that no difficulty may be had along this line.

The Ladies' Circle of the M. E. church will hold their annual meeting for the election of officers, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Ellen M. Chandler. A picnic supper will be served by the ladies of the Circle at 6 o'clock. Ice cream and cake will be on sale in the evening. All are invited.

At last week's meeting of the Ladies' Circle of the Universalist society, a good illustration of practical Christianity was shown in the work of providing materials and making clothes for a bright little two-year-old boy whose parents have deserted him. The boy was left homeless and nearly naked, but kind friends have made a temporary home for the little one.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. Wiley, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. As this will be the last meeting for the season, as well as the annual election of officers, the members are to be reminded of two important things, viz: To see that Mrs. Hopkins is informed of their choice of officers, and last but *not* least, to remember that "St. Cecilia" requests the presence of each member's pocketbook.

Negotiations are in progress and now well under way for obtaining additional capital in the Bethel Chair Company. The stock is being offered for sale, and already some $5000 has been taken. Some has been sold to outside parties. The business men of Bethel are quite generally buying the stock. Business still continues good at the factory and with more capital will be extended. No move has yet been made toward purchasing the plant under the recent vote of the town.

Col. Edwards has just received the sad intelligence of the death of Capt. Wm. A. Tobie of Mechanic Falls, late captain of Co. K, 5th Reg't Me. Vols., one of the original ten captains mustered into the United States service, June, 1861, and immediately ordered to the front. Col. C. S. Edwards of Bethel, is now the last surviving captain of the "Old Guard" to answer to the last roll call, and may his remaining days be crowned with peace and happiness. May no sorrow rest upon his brow except what Heaven sends and Heaven can heal; and, as the light of day fades into the gray of evening, may the light of dawning stars of celestial brightness and beauty adorn his pathway, and point to the better land where he can forever find rest with his comrades and patriots.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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BETHEL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Secretary's Report to the Members Thereof.

What a necessary thing it is to have system in all the work we do. The business man must have every detail reduced to a perfect system; and it is in the effort to imitate, and we trust without no small degree of success, to carry forward with preciseness of method and thoroughness of system, the management of this Association, that we have assembled here this evening.

The Library Association never takes a back seat, but with breezy energy, pushes to the front whatever it sets out to do; this has always been the business method adopted by its trustees. We are told, and have observed with our own eyes the truthfulness of the saying, that "mighty oaks from little acrons grow," and shall we not compare the marvelous change wrought in the Bethel Library, to the traditional growth of the majestic oak?

Twenty years ago it was a mere speck, and all sorts of predictions were in order, as to the future of the Association. To-night it owns 2000 volumes, is comfortably installed in a building, all by itself, with space enough to shelve many hundred books more than it now possesses, and the building seems well fitted for the purpose.

The trustees have felt the keenest pleasure and appreciation, in the increasing interest which the community has expressed, since the plans to move to more commodious quarters, were made public.

All the Library Association needs now, is the support that really belongs to it, the ever-enlarging patronage.

There are books of reference, books about the useful arts, books of travel, biography, letters, history, and fiction, and new books are being added from time to time, in quantity and quality to meet the approval of the general reador. To meet the different needs, a fine set of cyclopedias has been purchased this year, at quite an expense, yet this set of books was much needed and I am sure each patron, as he avails himself of its usefulness, will feel that the money was wisely invested.

In serving as your secretary, from year to year, I have found the trustees ever working on the "same principles that make the great man great can make us great in our place," however small the place may be, we have but to do our part.

Our resources are not bountiful but they have allowed the trustees to meet all expenses, and your secretary has collected during the year, for loan of books to members and transients, $61.31; interest on Mason note, $6.00; Rose breakfast, $13 25; town meeting dinner, $20.67; birthday party, $46.91; total, $148.14. The librarian reports 2796 books circulated during the year among the members, and 273 to transients.

Reports of the work of woman's clubs, indicate an interest in the establishment of public libraries, that is a most gratifying sign for the future of this branch of public education, and it is very gratifying to know that the women of Bethel, took the initiative in this work, for the women of Bethel organized and managed the Library Association long before the "Club woman" made her appearance.

While it is asserted that it takes "brains to run a modern kitchen", the men and women who have served as trustees of this institution, are roguish enough to assert that it takes brains to run a successful library association.

Respectfully submitted,
ANNIE M. FRYE,
Bethel, May 1, '99. Secretary.

Letter to E. B. Goddard, Bethel, Me.

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Notice.

The Bethel Festival Chorus very respectfully solicits the patronage of the public at their regular rehearsals which take place on Wednesday evening of each week. Hereafter the fee of 5 cents per night will be charged, which can be passed to the secretary.
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Eightieth Anniversary of Odd Fellowship.

That was a very pleasant affair by which the Rebekahs, last Wednesday evening, celebrated the eightieth anniversary of the founding of the order of Odd Fellows in this country. The guests who were bidden, felt the cheery influence of the hearty greetings with which they were met upon their entrance to the hall, and from the gracious welcomes to the kindly farewell words, the whole occasion was characterized by a marked spirit of camaraderie and good feeling. At 6:30 p m., the large company were seated at the inviting tables and daintily served to a most delicious supper. When the tables had been cleared, Mr. Irving French, one of the members of the able committee in charge, called the numbers of the following pleasing program:

Trio, Mrs. Edwards, Misses Gibson and Frost.
Reading, Miss Martha Gibson
Duet, Miss Frost, Miss Jane Gibson
Reading, Mrs. Swift
Choruses.
Speeches by Rev. F. E. Barton, Hon. A. E. Herrick, and Mr. Calvin Bisbee.
Solo, Miss Frost
Reading, Miss Douglass
Trio, Mrs. Edwards, Misses Gibson and Frost.
Reading, Miss Fannie Prentiss
Drill by the ladies of the lodge.

All the parts were agreeably rendered and elicited warmest expressions of approval from the listeners. When the company separated, it was, we believe, with renewed sentiments of loyalty on the part of the members of these two noble orders, and we are sure, with heightened appreciation on the part of their guests of the good work they are accomplishing in this community.

WEST BETHEL.

Hail, bounteous May! that doth inspire
Mirth and youth and warm desire;
Woods and graves are of thy dressing,
Hill and dale doth boast thy blessing.
Thus we salute thee with our early song,
And welcome thee and wish thee long.
—Milton.

Mrs. Eunice R. Roberts has returned from Gorham, N. H., after an absence of ten months.

Daniel E. Mills of Mason was in this village Monday, and all were glad to see him out again after his long and severe illness.

Rev. T. H. Scammon disappointed many people by not holding a meeting here on Sunday last, as announced, some coming four miles to attend.

Rev. F. E. Barton of Bethel Hill, will preach in the Union church on the first and third Sundays of each month, at 2:30 p. m., beginning next Sunday, May 7.

The snow melted so rapidly in April as to cause water to come into many cellars. One day the wife of a farmer started to get some potatoes for dinner, but could not reach them without wading. Not long after some meat was wanted, and, as the pork barrel was quite a distance from the stairs, the husband attempted to ride across the water in a wash tub, but came so near being overturned that he had to give up the voyage. A few days later, the water having partially subsided, he again launched the tub, and succeeded in reaching the pork and returning in safety.

SOUTH PARIS.

Saturday, April 29, to the wife of Chas. Merrill, a daughter.

Mr. Fred Abbott of Abbott's Mills, was in town last Saturday.

Miss Grace Murphy visited relatives at Norway Lake, Sunday.

Rodney Chandler bought a horse of Mr. O. Cummings of Norway, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Foster of Newry were in our village last Monday.

Five new members were taken into the Epworth League Society last Sunday evening.

Mr. Chas. Merrill recently sold his stand on Skillings avenue to Fred Scott, the depot master.

The Rebekahs and Odd Fellows held an anniversary celebration, last Wednesday evening, with music, speeches, and a banquet.

The annual Memorial sermon to the Odd Fellows was delivered by Rev. I. A. Bean, at the Methodist church, Sunday afternoon.

The May term of the Oxford county supreme judicial court convened here, Tuesday. Hon. S. C. Strout of Portland presided. There was no grand jury, and consequently there will not be many criminal cases before the court. Several important civil suits are expected to appear.

At the farewell reception given Rev. R. J. Haughton by the Congregational parish, he was presented with a fine gold watch bearing an inscription on the back expressive of their great love and respect for him. Mr. Haughton says he values the inscription far more highly than he does the watch itself.

God Shuts the Door.

God sometimes shuts the door, and shuts us in,
That He may speak, perchance, through grief or pain,
And softly, heart to heart, above the din,
May tell some precious thought to us again.
God sometimes shuts the door, and keeps us still,
That so our feverish haste, our deep unrest,
Beneath His gentle touch may quiet, till
He whispers what our weary hearts love best.
God sometimes shuts the door; and, though shut in—
If 'tis His hand, shall we not wait and see?
If worry lies without, and toil and sin,
God's world may wait within for you and me.
—The Interior.

A HASTY JUDGMENT.

BY G. H. R.

Clare Wilberforce is twenty-one to-day. She has received with pleasure her friend's congratulations, but now, as she gains the seclusion of her own room, the forced smiles give place to deep gravity and a little frown disfigures the pretty brow.

"So I am twenty-one to-day," and taking the hand-glass, Clare looks long and earnestly at the face before her. A pretty picture and worthy a long survey! Black hair in a coronet above the broad white forehead, eyes deep and dark but with a touch of blue within, clearly cut features and pearly teeth are revealed by the mirror. But as Clare turns away from the prospect, she looks dissatisfied and a murmur of impatience falls from her lips.

"So I am a scornful, society belle, a leader of fashion and a mere butterfly in Dr. Howard's opinion. But why should I care what he may think or say?" A burning blush o'erspreads the fair cheek, and the lily hands are convulsively clasped as this question is asked, for Clare known all too well what must be its answer. For nearly a year, now, young Dr. Howard has been her constant attendant at theatres, balls and receptions; has spent with her every leisure evening, and has supplied her with flowers and bonbons, anticipating her every wish. And now, to-night, she has heard him answer a friend's railleries with the remark she has just quoted, and the harsh words have struck to her very soul; for Clare loves Oscar Howard from the depths of her strong nature.

"What shall I do?" she moans as with heavy, sleepless eyes, she throws herself upon her couch and remains there until morning ends the weary hours.

Clare was the only child of a wealthy New York banker, whose wife had died some years before, leaving him to almost idolize the only pledge of their affection. Although petted and indulged to a fault, Clare was not a spoiled child, but had in her the making of a noble woman, free from pride or arrogance, and only waited for an opportunity to show rich and ripe characteristics of mind and heart.

Very fair she is this morning after her twenty-first birth day, thinks her fond father, as, attired in a crimson morning robe, she enters the pleasant breakfast-room. The lovely eyes do not show the weary watch they have been keeping, and gentle smiles give no token of the aching heart within. After the usual morning salutations are exchanged, Clare crosses the room to her father's side and throws her arms around his neck, sadly disarranging his carefully prepared toilet.

"Well, what does my little girl want this morning that she is coaxing her old father in this way? Is it a new dress or a bonnet? So soon after your birthday you ought to be well supplied with luxuries, Clare."

"So I am, papa. It isn't a new dress, or a bonnet that I want. Do you remember that at one time you spoke of spending the summer abroad, and I rejected the idea? Now I have seen the folly of my choice, and if you haven't wholly given up the plan, let us pack our trunks and be off by the next steamer. I detest Long Branch and Saratoga. I long to see new scenes and faces. Oh, papa, do; you have never refused me anything, and this is my heart's desire."

Mr. Wilberforce looks at his daughter in amazement, and vainly strives to read her averted face. He thinks of her decided disapproval of his plans for summering abroad, only a few weeks ago, and he can not understand the change which has taken place, but attributes it to woman's well-known fickleness of opinion, as he says, "Just like weather-vanes, swinging around with every wind that blows."

"Of course, Clare, it shall be as you wish, though I am at a loss to understand the change in your ideas. It will only be returning to my original plans and I shall not require much time to arrange my affairs. Can you be ready, daughter, to leave by the fifteenth of May?"

"Yes, indeed, papa and I cannot thank you enough for yielding so readily to my foolish whim."

As soon as her father has left the room, Clare goes to her writing-desk, and, taking out a package of letters, ties them together and addresses them with a trembling hand to Oscar Howard, M. D. Then she gives instructions to the servants that if Dr. Howard calls she is not at home. It is, therefore, with a sad heart that she makes preparations for the trip.

It is several weeks later, and Dr. Howard sits in his room smoking a cigar and apparently in a meditative mood. Before him, on a stand, are piled sundry relics of a tender nature, letters in a feminine hand, a lock of hair, a tiny glove. The handsome doctor sighs as he glances at these and murmurs:

"What a fool I was to believe that Clare was true to me, that she loved me, and that beneath all the frivolities of her fashionable life was a sincere, womanly nature. I can't stand it! I must leave New York and accept the position that was offered me in New Orleans. Oh, Clare, how could you be so cruel!"

So New York society is suddenly bereft of two of its most brilliant members, and for a while Madam Grundy is consumed with curiosity as to the sudden disappearance of Clare Wilberforce and Dr. Howard, whose names rumor had already joined together.

"She has jilted him," is the verdict of the venerable lady. "I knew she would never marry him. With her face and fortune, she may have an earl at her feet."

New Orleans is in a pitiable condition. The dread yellow fever has crept like a vulture into the city and is carrying off its human prey by the hundreds. Physicians and surgeons have fled from the city in dismay, leaving only a few brave souls to minister in the homes of suffering and terror. Among the latter is Dr. Howard, noble and strong, working with a steadfast will for those poor, stricken souls. He gives no thought to himself, but enters heartily into the good work, caring little for his life now that its brightness has all gone out.

One night he is called in haste to a house in the most wretched part of the city, where a woman is lying dead and her two children are smitten with the fearful fever. There is much to be done. Sympathy has brought a poor, neighborly woman to the house, and while there in the midst of the pressing duties of the moment, Dr. Howard catches a glimpse, in the partial darkness, of a slight figure in another room, clad in the garb of a nurse. She seems to evade him, but the slight glimpse thrills him with the fancy of something of the long ago, but his tired brain can not follow out the thought and he soon departs for his humble rooms. But he has overtasked his strength, and now for weary days he lies, hovering between life and death, only conscious of a presence beside him, watching over him, which he calls in his delirium, "Clare." Finally his strong vitality triumphs and he comes forth from the jaws of death, to find Clare in reality beside him.

"My darling," she murmurs, and takes his trembling hand in hers. "Do not ask me for explanations now. When you are stronger, Oscar, there is much to tell, but now let it be sufficient to know of our mutual love."

When his health has been restored sufficiently for them to return to their home in New York, and Dr. Howard is sitting again with Clare, and the stories of mutual mistakes are told, Clare begins: "Do you remember my last birthday party, Oscar, and certain remarks which you made concerning me in the conservatory?"

"Certainly, my love. Fred Allen was joking me about my attentions to you, and I, to put an end to his railleries, said, 'Why, Fred, she is a society belle, a leader of fashion, a mere butterfly of existence, and how could the poor Dr. Howard aspire to such an heiress?' Then I added, fearing I had said too much, 'But Miss Wilberforce has a noble character, Fred, and the man who wins her heart and hand is fortunate, indeed.' Did you overhear me, Clare? That which *was* offensive you heard, but did you hear *all* so as to really know how to judge me?"

"I did not! Indeed, I could not wait for more, and my great mistake which was the cause of all my

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The Home.

Moral Tumbles in Little Children.

Inexperienced mothers are liable to make too much of the faults of little children. Could they but realize all that the fault implies and all that it portends, they would make both more and less of it. A paradox? There are many such in moral as well as natural philosophy. We will first consider the cause of the fault. If you seek carefully and prayerfully you will usually find the fault is an offshoot of some trait of character in one or the other of the parents or some near or more remote relative. Therefore we must first conclude that the child is not responsible for having the characteristic. Until he stumbled and fell, he did not know it himself. How shall this first moral fall be dealt with? As his first fall was or should be treated. When the little toddler first balanced himself upon his unsteady little feet and made an effort to keep that equipose while lifting one foot and then the other, thus changing the base upon which his weight rested, and in a moment stumbled over the rug and got that unexpected bump, should he have been blamed? Should he have been punished? Should he have been called naughty?

Ah, yes, I hear your outcries against such a course of treatment. So would I cry out, long and loud, against such discipline a little later when he meets his first moral impediment and falls over it. He is no more to blame for its being there than he was for the rug in his path. He did not put either of them there. He did not know that either of them were there till he had felt the bump, physical or moral. If fairly treated he will know a little better next time. You will take care to have the rug out of the way till his legs have grown a little stronger, and then show him and teach him how to overstep its edge. It will then be no hindrance, but he will delight in walking forth and back over it, thus enjoying his first conquest over surroundings and circumstances.

So keep, if possible, the moral impediment called temptation out of his way, till the moral legs are strong enough, and then as patiently and lovingly and sympathetically teach him how to walk over it. The power lay within him before; it is within now. In many a case this will correct the first tendency to wrong doing, and, like "a stitch in time," it will save nine other faults. But our inheritance of evil is too deep rooted not to sprout again and again, and, as children grow older, there must be discipline, but the same principle of sympathy must accompany it all.—Amy B. Fisk, in Congregationalist.

The Home-Maker.

Who is the home-maker? Mother? Yes; and a few others or many others, just as the family is a large or small one. Every inmate—and also the boy and girl at a distance, who only writes letters back, and sends little gifts (a pressed flower, a bit of handiwork, maybe,)—helps to make the home atmosphere happy and healthful or the reverse. First, of course, there are father and mother. It goes without saying, that around the evening fireside, they will lay care aside as much possible and smile and make merry for the children. Then, there are the sisters, big and little. Let them use their best accomplishments, wear their prettiest gowns, sing their prettiest songs, and contrive interesting games for their brothers' entertainment. And brothers—it is the easiest thing in the world for them to add to the home happiness. There are few fathers and mothers who are not gladdened by the evidence that their boys love the home circle; and where is the sister who is not delighted to be her brother's comrade? And, fathers and brothers, remember: even as mothers and sisters create your ideal of womanhood, so do you create their ideal of manhood.

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STATE OF MAINE.



BY THE GOVERNOR.

A PROCLAMATION.

In obedience to a statute instituted by the representatives of our people, I hereby appoint

Wednesday, the 10th Day of May,

—AS—

ARBOR DAY.

I again call attention to the importance of planting trees and shrubs about our homes. It adds to their comfort, renders them more beautiful, is ever an indication of refinement and culture, and the day's work well done will merit and receive the grateful commendation of those who succeed us.

I also recommend that the day be especially observed by our schools throughout the State, to the end that the best results may be secured.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber, in Augusta, this twentieth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-third.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

By the Governor,
BYRON BOYD, Secretary of State.

LOCAL NEWS.

Gilman Chapman is clerking for G. P. Bean.

Life insurance is a good thing but health insurance, by keeping the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla, is still better.

Mrs. A. M. Farwell went to West Bethel Thursday, to spend a few days with her mother, who has not yet recovered from her recent illness.

Mrs. B. C. Burbank and Miss Ethel Philbrook of Shelburne, N. H., drove down Saturday, to visit Mrs. Burbank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mason.

The senior class of Gould's Academy has engaged the Ideal Quartette of Boston, for the graduation concert. This is a ladies' quartette and consists of one vocal soloist, one reader, one piano soloist, and Miss Chamberlin, the well-known whistling soloist. The banjo, mandolin, and guitar will also be features of the evening's entertainment.

Dr. Geo. M. Twitchell, editor of the Maine Farmer, will deliver a lecture entitled, "The Citizen of To-morrow," in the Universalist church, Friday evening, May 12. The lecture will be given under the auspices of the senior class of Gould's Academy, and the proceeds will go to defray the expenses of graduation. It is hoped and expected that a goodly number will attend.

The annual Memorial sermon of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs was delivered by Rev. F. E. Barton at the Universalist church, Sunday. Over sixty members of the two lodges formed the procession which marched from I. O. O. F. hall, in the morning. The address by Rev. Mr. Barton was a very able and intensely interesting one and was appreciated by all.

"Pride Goeth Before a Fall."

Some proud people think they have strong constitutions, and ridicule the idea of disease. Such people neglect their health, let the blood run down, and their stomach, kidneys and liver become deranged.

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Arbor Day, May 10.

Schools began Monday.

Arthur Wiley spent Sunday in town.

Miss Olive Wheeler spent Sunday in Auburn.

Miss Ellen Douglass is teaching in Errol, N. H.

Free Morse is driving the Lake stage for Emery.

The Lake stage began making daily trips, Monday.

George F. Rich, Esq. of Berlin, N. H., was in town Saturday.

Judge Foster and wife went to Lancaster, N. H., Sunday night.

Mrs. S. E. Rich of Berlin, N. H., is caring for her mother at East Bethel.

Rev. F. E. Barton will preach one-half of the time the coming summer, at Locke Mills.

Mr. Harold Chapman brought the first dandelion blossom of the season, to the NEWS office, May 1.

Alphonso Penley and Will Chapman have rented the store of Chas. Mason and will put in a stock of fruits.

Miss Grace Carter has purchased of W. S. Wight, the lot of land adjoining her mother's home on Park street.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Varley went to East Wilton, Tuesday morning to spend a two weeks' vacation.

The friends of Mrs. W. S. Wight will be pleased to learn that she is gradually improving at the hospital in Lewiston.

Mrs. Horatio Upton is in Portland for a few weeks, caring for her sister, who is ill. Mr. Upton spent Sunday in Portland, returning Tuesday.

The spring flowers are greeting us; pansies, daisies, etc., are lifting their faces and a glad welcome they receive after six months of cold whiteness.

A very exciting game of ball was played on the Common, Fast Day, between the two Academy nines, resulting in a victory for the smaller boys, of 41 to 37.

L. S. Coburn, Bethel's veteran shoemaker, is now well settled in his new shop on High street, and doing his usual first class work for his many customers.

Announcement has been made that Miss Nellie Hastings Frost and Mr. Arthur Goodwin Wiley will be united in marriage, Monday evening, May twenty-second.

Miss Sophia Roberts with the Bartlett children of Hanover, have rented the house recently occupied by Prof. W. S. Wight; the children attend the village school.

Rev. J. W. Lewis and family went to Norway, last Thursday, where Mr. Lewis will preach the coming year. A large number of friends gathered at the depot to wish him success in his new field of labor.

We are glad to welcome Rev. W. B. Eldridge and family among us. Mr. Eldridge comes among us highly recommended, having very satisfactorily served as pastor of the M. E. church at Norway, the past three years.

Variety is the spice of life: Thermometer 92° in the shade, snow drifts, breaking roads, and dandelion blossoms all at once, is rather a mixture of the seasons but such has been the condition in Bethel during the past few days.

At the caucus last Saturday the following delegates to the second district convention were elected: A. E. Herrick, N. F. Brown, Ira C. Jordan, and Fred E. Bean. They will support Oxford county's candidate, Hon. John P. Swasey.

Mr. Albert G. Eames has returned to Bethel after a year's work in the High school at Denmark. His Bethel friends are pleased to hear of his success as principal during the past year, and that his services are greatly desired for the coming year.

The Rev. W. B. Eldridge, pastor of the M. E. church, will preach at Locke Mills the first and third Sabbaths of each month, at 2:30 p m., and at Mason the second and fourth Sabbaths of each month, at 2:30 p. m. Services at Bethel, at usual hours.

On Fast Day the annual church meeting of the Congregational society was held at the chapel. A bountiful supper was served at six o'clock, after which the church roll was called; all present responded, and letters or verses of scripture from the absent ones were read by the pastor, Rev. Arthur Varley. The Sabbath School officers were elected as follows:

Superintendent, J. U. Purington.
Assistant Superintendent, Arthur Varley.
Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. F. S. Chandler.
Librarian, Daniel Smith.
Church Clerk and Treasurer, J. U. Purington.

The following officers and trustees were elected by the Library Association at the annual meeting last Monday evening: Pres., Mrs. G. R. Wiley; Vice Pres., Mrs. A. E. Herrick; Secretary, Miss Annie M. Frye; Treasurer, Mrs. O. M. Mason. Trustees: Miss P. M. Buxton, Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Miss Alice Purington, Rev. F. E. Barton, Mr. H. C. Rowe, Mrs. Gilbert Tuell, Mrs. Ella Carter, Mr. Alfred M. True. The board will put in a new lot of books very soon, and they request the patrons to send their lists to Mrs. A. E. Herrick this week.

E. H. Young was in Portland Tuesday.

John Lewis of Waterford, was in town Tuesday.

The first thunder shower of the season, last night.

Mrs. E. C. Rowe has returned from a visit to Portland.

H. C. Rowe picked his pansy blossoms, May 1, as usual.

Hon. A. S. Twitchell of Gorham, N. H., was in town Tuesday.

There are 16 *big* ounces in a pound of our school paper.

Mrs. W. E. Abbott spent Monday and Tuesday in Portland.

Tablets, paper, pencils, pens, and everything else in that line, at the NEWS office.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. McGregor of Portland was the guest of her niece Miss Angie Chapman last Friday.

H. E. Webster, Esq. of Damariscotta Mills, will deliver the Memorial address at Bethel.

Henry M. Farwell and Maude S. Pratt, both of Bethel, were married, May 2, by Rev. F. E. Barton.

Hastings Bros. have a nice new rubber mat with their firm name on the same, at the front entrance of their store.

Dayton Merrill came home from Berlin, N. H., Monday; he is laid up with rheumatism, and was in the hospital a week before he was able to return home.

The members of the W. C. T. U. will please take notice that the annual meeting of the Bethel Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Cyrene Littlehale, Tuesday (May 9) at 3 o'clock p. m.

The Christian Endeavor social in Garland chapel, last Friday evening was a very pleasant affair. About eighty young people were present and all seemed to enjoy themselves. An interesting program, consisting of reading from "David Harum", by Mrs. Gehring, music, impersonations, etc., was rendered.

April's parting obeisance was an impressive one, or better perhaps, a distressing one. 92° in the shade, ten days behind good sleighing, is something seldom heard of, but such is true this year. And what seems still more remarkable, is the fact that on last Saturday, the 29th of April, the selectmen of Bethel were called upon to send out a crew of men to clear a certain piece of road of snow. It is stated that the drifts were five or six feet deep.

The meeting of the Missionary Auxiliaries was held at the home of Mrs. Ceylon Rowe, Tuesday afternoon, and the following officers were chosen for the present year: Maine Auxiliary: President, Mrs. Arthur Varley; Vice President, Miss Mary Cummings; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Ceylon Rowe; Collector, Mrs. Ceylon Rowe. A. M. A. Auxiliary: President, Mrs. T. H. Chapman; Collector, Mrs. L. Valentine. Foreign Auxiliary: President, Mrs. J. U. Purington; Vice President, Mrs. E. C. Chamberlain; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. F. S. Chandler; Collector, Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

Mr. A. M. Carter and Mr. Harry Carter are at home from the Magalloway valley, where they have been for the past six weeks making surveys upon lands of the Berlin Mills Company, which owns some 130,000 acres in that section. The company is contemplating the erection of large storage dams upon the river to facilitate the driving of timber, and one of the objects of the survey was to assist in determining the location of these dams. A complete topographical survey was made.

PRATT—FARWELL.

A very pretty, quiet home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn Pratt on Main St., Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, when their daughter, Sarah Maude, and Mr. Henry Merton Farwell were united in marriage by Rev. F. E. Barton, pastor of the Universalist church. Only the families of the contracting parties were present. The parlor was very tastefully decorated with palms and potted plants. The bride was dressed in white muslin trimmed with lace, and the groom wore the conventional black. The only ornament worn by the bride was a diamond pin, in a silver setting, which had belonged to her grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Farwell were the recipients of many beautiful presents from friends in Bethel and those residing at a distance. After the wedding ceremony, refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Farwell are to reside in Bethel, and will receive most hearty congratulations from a host of friends.

Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for a dozen bottles." Mr. Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swelings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON VII, SECOND QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, MAY 14.

Text of the Lesson, John xviii, 1-14. Memory Verses, 3-5—Golden Text, Isa. liii, 3—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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1. "When Jesus had spoken these words, He went forth with His disciples over the brook Cedron." He had eaten the last Passover with them, He had instituted the supper which they should keep as a memorial of Him till He should come again, He had spoken unto them the words of chapters xiv to xvi after he had washed their feet, He had prayed for them, they sang a hymn (Mark xiv, 26), and now in the night He goes forth with them to Gethsemane. He is rejected by His own people, whom He came to bless, His son Israel (Ex. iv, 22; Hos. xi, 1), and they have determined to kill Him.

2. "Jesus ofttimes resorted thither with His disciples." Hence Judas knew well the place. One of the many times that Jesus went thither is doubtless mentioned in John viii, 1, when every man went unto his own house, but Jesus went unto the Mount of Olives. He said that there were times when the Son of Man had not where to lay His head (Luke ix, 58).

3. Judas and his band came with lanterns and torches and weapons. John makes no reference to the events in the garden before Judas came—the agony, the conflict, the thrice repeated prayer and the sleeping disciples, which are mentioned by the other evangelists. Perhaps the recollection of it was too much for John, and he could not write it.

4. They did not have to look for Him with their lanterns nor use their weapons to take Him. He knew all that should come upon Him, and He went forth to meet them, saying, "Whom seek ye?" His hour had come to bear our sins, and He was ready to give Himself up. His prayer in the garden was answered. He was delivered from dying there, an angel strengthened Him, and He was ready to go on to the cross and finish the work. He knew it all before He left His home in glory. He saw His own sufferings when He by the shedding of blood provided the coats of skins for Adam and Eve in Eden (Gen. iii, 21).

5. In answer to His question they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." He instantly replied, "I am He," or, more correctly, "I am," for the word "he" is in italics, indicating that it is not in the Greek. He used the name by which He had made Himself known to Moses and to Israel, "I am" (Ex. iii, 14). It is often so in this gospel. If you will notice it, see chapters iv, 26; viii, 24, etc.

6. "They went backward and fell to the ground." He did nothing to them. He did not touch them, but only said, "I am." Oh, the power of His word! How little we appreciate it! How little we know it! It created the worlds, brought Israel out of Egypt, overthrew the Egyptians. There is nothing too hard for Him. These would have been all dead men, they would never have risen to their feet again had He so willed it. Yet they thought to take Him by force. They thought to kill Him, the Prince of Life.

7, 8. Again He asked them, and they answered the same as before. He said: "I have told you that I am. If therefore ye seek me, let these go their way." He yielded Himself to them, but would save His disciples from them. He saved others; He could save Himself if He had willed it, but He could not save Himself and others too. He gave Himself up for us that we might live. He laid down His life for us.

9. "Of them which thou gavest me I have lost none." This He had said in His prayer in chapter xvii, 12. Then Judas was never given to Him; he was never one of His sheep, never a saved man, for His sheep can never perish; no power can pluck them out of His hand (John x, 27-29). He will never lose any of His property. So we may keep on singing, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which have committed unto Him against that day" (II Tim. i, 12). A lady told me recently that she felt so sorry for Judas because he had to do these things and could not help it. We must remember that God is love and willeth not the death of any sinner.

10. When Jesus said, "He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one" (Luke xxii, 36), I think He was testing them, for when they said, "Lord, behold, here are two swords," and He said, "It is enough," He certainly did not mean the 12 to have each a sword. Although there were but two, Simon Peter carried one of them. And now see the use he makes of it. Many a blundering Christian has hindered others from hearing the gospel since the days of Simon Peter. Are we by our lives and our testimony helping or hindering those who should be hearing of Him who died that they might live?

11. "The cup which My Father hath given Me, shall I not drink it?" Jesus told Peter to put up his sword, and He touched Malchus' ear and healed him (Luke xxii, 51). The weapons of our warfare are not carnal. What a blessing that our Lord can so easily remedy our blunderings! But see what our Lord calls all this, the betrayal of Judas, the hatred of the rulers, etc.—"the cup which My Father hath given Me." Compare Acts iv, 27, 28, and learn from our great example to see God in everything and to accept all things pleasant or otherwise.

12. They took Jesus and bound Him. Judas actually kissed Him (Mark xiv, 45). "And Jesus suffered it, merely saying, Betrayeth thou the Son of Man with a kiss?" (Luke xxii, 48.) Oh, how much He bore for us! What unjust conduct and seemingly unendurable indignities! And we who bear His name and rejoice to be redeemed by His precious blood find it so hard to bear just a little for Him, and when it is anything very unjust or unkind we are to refuse to put up with it, forgetting Him who when He was reviled reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not, leaving us an example (I Pet. ii, 23).

13. Having bound Him, they led Him away to Annas first, the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest. Thus He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth (Isa. liii, 7). Just think of the hands being tied that were ever being stretched forth to heal and bless and ungodly men leading to death their Creator and Redeemer! It was all in the plan for our redemption and must be carried out.

14. This Caiaphas, as the high priest, had been permitted on one occasion to utter a prophecy that Jesus would die for the nation (chapter xi, 49-52), but it was by the Spirit of God he said it. Do not think this strange, for consider the wonderful words uttered by the Spirit through Balaam.

HERE AND THERE.

—Railway whistles inflict torture on so many people that the efforts abroad to check the plague will soon be followed with interest. Austria has introduced a system of dumb signaling to start and stop the trains, Belgium is trying compressed air whistles instead of steam, and Germany experiments with horns. Heaven forbid that Germany's experiment be universally adopted.

—All the Maine summer resorts, from Kittery to Quoddy are expecting the largest summer's business ever known.

—The problems occasioned by the small-pox epidemic in Central Maine are numerous. One of the latest is the demand of certain Waterville landlords that the city pay the rent of tenements placed under quarantine by the local board of health.

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Gorham,	4.38	8.10	2.57
Gilead,	5.02	8.30	3.15
West Bethel,	5.14	8.42	3.26
BETHEL,	**5.24**	**8.51**	**3.33**
Locke's Mills,	5.36	9.00	3.41
Bryant Pond,	5.45	9.08	3.47
South Paris,	6.17	9.35	4.16
Portland,	8.10	11.30	5.45

TRAINS FROM PORTLAND TO ISLAND POND RUN AS FOLLOWS:

	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Portland,	8.10	1.30	6.00
South Paris,	9.59	3.40	7.58
Bryant Pond,	10.20	4.20	8.35
Locke's Mills,	10.37	4.31	8.45
BETHEL,	**10.45**	**4.40**	**9.00**
West Bethel,	10.52	4.48	9.10
Gilead,	11 03	5.02	9.24
Gorham,	11.31	5.50	10.00
Island Pond,	1.32	8.05	12.20

Sunday paper train leaves Portland going west at 8.30 a. m., South Paris 10.19, Bryant Pond 10.51, Locke's Mills 10.59, Bethel 11.10, West Bethel 10.20, Gilead 11.34, Gorham 12.00, arriving in Berlin 12.25.

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Sale of Real Estate in Bethel.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license granted on the twenty-seventh day of February, A. D. 1899, by the Hon. Henry C. Peabody, Judge of the Probate Court for Cumberland County, I will sell and convey at public sale on the premises, on May 16, A. D. 1899 at eleven o'clock A. M., the following described real estate with the buildings thereon, to wit:—

A parcel of land situated in the town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, bounded and described as follows, viz:— Beginning on the line of land formerly of Timothy Capen, on the westerly side of the County Road leading down the southerly side of the Androscoggin river to Rumford; thence southerly on said road nineteen rods to a stake and stones; thence West eleven degrees, South sixty rods to a stake and stone; thence North eighteen degrees West thirty-six and one half rods to a stake and stones on line of land formerly of Timothy Capen; thence on line of said Capen land to first mentioned bound.

Also one other piece or parcel of land situated in said Bethel and bounded as follows, to wit:— Beginning at the South corner of what was formerly the hog pasture fence of one Timothy Capen on the Easterly side of the County road running through said Bethel to Rumford; thence East nineteen rods to a stake and stones; thence Northerly seventeen rods to a Norway pine tree standing on the line of land formerly of Timothy Capen and of John Oliver; thence on said line East twenty degrees North to land formerly owned by Andrew Oliver; thence South twenty degrees West fifty rods to land formerly owned by one Jonathan A. Russell; thence Westerly on said line to first mentioned road; thence on said road thirty-seven rods to the first mentioned bound, containing about twenty acres.

Also one other parcel of land situated in said Bethel, being the Easterly half part of the eighteenth lot in the Seventh range of lots in said town on the South side of the Androscoggin river.

Also one other parcel of land situated in said Bethel being one-half of the Westerly half part of lot numbered eighteen in the Seventh Range of lots in said town except ten acres from Southwest corner of said half lot.

Also one other parcel of land situated in said Bethel, bounded and described as follows, viz:— On the North on land owned or occupied by Newell Annis and the burying ground of the Capen family; on the East and South by lands formerly owned by Edward A. Capen; on the West by the County road leading past said land from Bethel Hill to Rumford Corner.

The several lots or parcels of land above described contain about one hundred and twenty acres.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

Real Estate and Personal Property of the late W. W. Stevens will be sold at auction, May 18, 1899, at 9 a. m., at Rumford Corner.

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WANTED—At once, a good reliable woman to do housework. Must be a first class cook, and a woman capable of taking full charge of the work in a family of three. Permanent work. Apply to Box G, Bethel, Me.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel NEWS a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D., 1899, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon, if they see cause.

HATTIE G. CHAPMAN, ward of Bethel; petition for license to sell and convey real estate, presented by Horatio N. Upton, Guardian.

ABIGAIL H. KIMBALL late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof, presented by Agnes G. Ames, the executrix therein appointed.

Howard V. Chapman, late of Bethel, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate, presented by Horatio N. Upton, administrator.

SEWARD S. STEARNS, Judge of said Court, A true copy—attest:
3w48 ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

Notice.

I have on hand a good assortment of all kinds of carriages which I will sell as low as can be purchased anywhere. Call and see them and get prices.
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Notice.

All persons desiring to bid on the building of the new school house at Northwest Bethel will leave their bids with the Superintendent of Schools, on or before Saturday, May 6. The house is to be 22x30 feet, and must be finished by Aug. 20. For plans and further particulars inquire of the Superintendent.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

E. C. BOWLER.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of
MARTHA L. CONNORS, late of Norway, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 46
March 21st, 1899 Isaac G. Morrill.

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TOWNS AROUND.

Will all correspondents please bear in mind that all items, to insure publication *must* be signed by the sender. Also, if there is any communication to be made to the editor, that it should be made on a separate sheet of paper. We are glad to furnish stamped envelopes to all correspondents, but many times such are asked for and no name given, and, as in some towns, we occasionally receive items from more than one person, the name must be signed in order to receive any attention. Please send items so that they will reach us Tuesday, if possible.—Ed.

EAST BETHEL.

Z. W. Bartlett has hired Elmer Lapham for the season.

Miss Mattie Tracy is spending her vacation with her parents this week.

Mrs. Arthur Tracy and child are spending the week with relatives here.

Mrs. F. C. Bean is papering and painting quite extensively, this spring.

Aunt Sophroni Bartlett is failing slowly, despite the excellent care her three daughters are giving her.

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SWAN'S CORNER.

St. John Hastings has leased A. W. Small's farm for a year.

T. H. Jewett has been treating his house to a coat of paint.

A. E. Bailey has decided to stay on Mrs. Ira Bean's farm this year.

Miss Hazel Small recently made a visit to her friend, Miss Gertrude Bailey.

A. W. Small was home from Frye, Sunday, where he has been working the past winter.

Hubert and Laforest York, Joe Gaudet, and Fred Bartlett are river driving for Greenleaf Emery.

MILTON PLANTATION.

C. A. Coffin of South Paris was in town, Sunday.

Alice Lovejoy is teaching the Abbott Mills school.

Miss Lena Young has got through working for Mrs. Brown.

Florence Richardson who has been home on a few days' vacation returned to school at South Paris, Monday.

Meda Coffin of Berlin, N. H. spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Sessions, coming down on the early train and returning at night.

School commenced May 1, Mary Chapman of Bethel, teacher. Miss Chapman is well known as she has taught several successful terms here before.

PARIS.

Born, April 12, to the wife of Melvin B. Morey, a daughter, (Hilda May.)

Frank Briggs and family have returned from Hanover, where he worked last winter.

J. A. Starbird is building an ell, and making other improvements on his buildings in the Whittemore district.

Mrs. Mary A., wife of H. T. Cummings died April 15, aged 63 years. The remains were taken to Lincoln for interment.

William Henry Cole died suddenly at his home April 7. He leaves a widow, one daughter, Mrs. Horace D. Tuttle of Auburn, and a son, Will E. Cole, who has been so affected by rheumatism that he has been unable to leave his room since last October. The funeral services were held at his late residence, and were conducted by Rev. H. A. Roberts of the First Baptist church. Paris Grange, of which Mr. Cole was a charter member, attended the funeral.

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Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

NEWRY.

M. L. Thurston's crew drove 1,005,000 of logs out of Bear river, last week. He now has a large amount of timber to drive from Swift river.

The schools in Newry commenced Monday, with the following teachers: Miss Lizzie Grover of West Bethel, Miss Maud Merrow of West Bethel, and Miss Cleo Russell of Bethel.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Mr. and Mrs. Verg. Verrill arrived home, Thursday.

Mr. Howard Charles of Lovell, called at Geo. Briggs', Friday.

We enjoyed a pleasant call from the little Misses Verrill recently.

School begins next Monday under the instruction of Miss Ida Haselton.

Geo. Briggs and Herbert Verrill went to Walker's Mills, last Friday.

Your correspondent has four gray squirrels, which have come to her window and eaten from her hand all winter.

I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoera ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found one remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.—P. E. Grisham, Gaar Mills, La. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills.

NORWAY.

Enoch Andrews and wife of Minot were at C. H. Andrews' Sunday.

Dana Philbrook of Bethel, and Chester Lane of West Paris were in town on business Monday.

Pearl Crockett who went to Saratoga, N. Y., with Frank Lee as motorman, returned to Norwy last week.

Open cars were first run upon the street Electric road last Thursday, which is more than a week later than last year.

Miss Mary Davis who has been stopping with H. F. Andrews the past year, has gone to the Poland Spring House for the summer.

Witherell Park on Main Street has been placed in excellent condition this spring and the clean appearance is appreciated by the crowds that gather there these hot days.

The selectmen have posted notices forbidding bicycle riders from using the sidewalks. May this warning be effective as the danger from a careless rider is great upon a crowded sidewalk.

A large delegation from the South Paris Festival chorus visited the Norway church Monday evening. The time was spent in song and mirth. All seemed to have enjoyed themselves.

Rev. Mr. Haughton of South Paris exchanged with Rev. B. S. Rideout of the Congregational church last Sunday morning. Next Sabbath, May 7, Mr. Haughton delivers the annual sermon before the Knights of Pythias at South Paris.

GILEAD.

F. L. Ordway went up river, last week.

George Bryant of Bethel, is painting at E. K. Bennett's.

Mrs. John Wilson of Shelburne, N. H., was in town last Thursday.

The large jam of logs near the suspension bridge went out the evening of April 25.

A few friends gathered at Josiah Heath's last Tuesday evening, to enjoy a sugar party.

C. E. Tenney, the peddler, passed through town, last Thursday on his way to Gorham, N. H.

Twenty-six guests attended a sugar party at E. K. Bennett's, on Saturday evening, April 22.

Eight hedgehogs have been killed at E. K. Bennett's, within a fortnight. They were a pest at the sugar camp.

George N. Richardson and family are about to take up their abode again on the old homestead. We are pleased at the prospect of having them residents of the town once more.

Two of our schools began Monday. The village district is fortunate in being once more under the care of Miss Dorothy M. Harrison of Foxcroft, and No. 3 is in charge of Miss Clara M. Smith of Gray, a pupil of the West Normal school, Gorham.

On the first holiday, we are informed, there will be a game of football between the Scratch Corner club, James Phillips, captain, and the Gilead team, led by Capt. Patrick McGuian; the game to be played at Scratch Corner.

From the Charlevoix (Mich.) Democrat, we take the following item concerning a former Gilead boy: "Jerome A. Heath, architect and builder, is calling for twenty-five first class carpenters. He is to construct a cottage, to be completed by July 1, at "The Charlevoix Resort," for a lady in Kalamazoo, Mich. The expense will be $5000. It will require 35,000 shingles to cover the roof, and there are to be about ninety lineal feet of ten foot veranda. It will crowd the handsomest on either side, for first place as regards size, beauty, and elegance."

NEWRY CORNER.

Mayflowers are with us once again.

Examination of teachers was held in town, Saturday.

Schools began Monday. May 1. Miss Cleo Russell of Bethel, teaches in this district.

Miss Maud Brawn, formerly of Newry, is attending business college in Boston.

BE SURE.

Be sure you need medicine before you take it, but having once found out that you need it—lose no time in getting the best. If it's for the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder or Blood, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia or for Chronic Constipation, the best is Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, and a very simple way to find out if you need it, is to put some urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it then has a sediment or a milky, cloudy appearance; if it is ropy or stringy, pale or discolored, you do not need a physician to tell you that you should take Favorite Remedy at once. It speedily cures such dangerous symptoms as pain in the back, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, burning scalding pain in passing water, the staining of linen by your urine and all the unpleasant and dangerous effects produced on the system by the use of whiskey and beer. All reliable druggists sell Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy at $1.00 a bottle, or 6 bottles for $5.00.

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Here are some bargains that you can't afford to overlook. A lot of brass Curtain Poles, inch and two inch size, 5 feet long, with brass ends, rings, brackets, all complete and ready to put up, at 19c, worth from 75c to $1.00. Also a lot of wooden poles, cherry, mahogany, and other wood, with brackets and fixtures complete for 19c. One lot of nickle plated pulls for window shades at 2c each. We also have in this department a large lot of handsome figured muslin Chamber Curtains, finished with French seam and figured ruffle, at 69c per pair, regular price $1.00.

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BROWNFIELD.

Byron Bradeen has been painting John Danforth's house.

Mr. Thomas Harmon is able to resume work on his meat cart, after a severe illness of nearly three weeks.

John Graffam and Paris Rowe have the contract to build the shelter for the road machine and snow rollers.

Mr. Silas McDaniel of Kezar Falls, recently closed a very successful term of private school in our village; this made the 102nd term of school taught by Mr. McDaniel.

Mr. Wm. Ordway died very suddenly at his home in East Brownfield, April 19. Mr. Ordway was a single man and lived alone. The reported cause of his death was acute alcoholism; he had been drinking quite heavily for several days. He was found dead on the floor of his house, by neighbors.

GROVER HILL.

School opened Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Peaslee were in Gilead, Saturday.

Mr. L. A. Sawin and son of Albany, were in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Walker cleaned the schoolroom in this district, Friday.

Mrs. A. V. Walker contemplates renting her farm and going to Rumford Falls this summer.

Miss Bertha Browne has returned home to keep house for her father, during the absence of her sister, Miss Winifred.

One of the largest Insurance Companies in the world keeps all of its property painted with Chilton Paint. This Company has found out that if it wishes to rent a building more money can be obtained and a better class of tenants if the building is painted and looks attractive, than if it has a neglected appearance. It has found out that if it wishes to sell property, much more can be secured for it if it has been painted, and that the cheapest paint in the world to use is the Chilton. This knowledge did not come to this company in a minute, but after years of testing
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Klondike Rumsellers.

Champagne brings $25 a bottle in Dawson. The regular price of a drink of whisky is 50 cents, and the saloon keeper claims that he is making no profit at this price, when he has to pay $40 to $50 a gallon for it at wholesale, because the miners take such large drinks. The saloon keepers, however, are not unable to take care of themselves. They adulterate their whisky freely with Yukon water, and they are always careful to have the balance on their side when the weigher puts the customer's dust on the scales. Underneath the scale is a piece of brussels carpet, and any particles of dust that may accidentally fall in the operation are hidden for harvest after the closing hour.—Champion (Liquor Organ).

To Test Steel Roads.

A steel roadway about 150 feet long is being laid at the Minnesota agricultural experiment station. The steel rails are 8 inches wide, with half inch flanges at the outer edge, and are 30 feet long. They are made of quarter inch steel, with cross ties every six feet buried about a foot. On the ties are timber strings on which the rails lie. The width of the 8 inch rails takes in wagons of any width of tires. This demonstration of the steel roadway is being made in order to try to show its advantages over the ordinary macadamized road. It is asserted that such a road costs $2,500 a mile, while a macadamized road costs from $3,000 to $6,000, and that the steel road will outlast the macadamized and be far more serviceable.

Cheap Road Material.

A writer in the Lawrence (Kan.) Journal advocates burned clay as a cheap and satisfactory road material. He says that it requires no foundation, either of rock or sand, and is displacing crushed rock on all the railroads running into Kansas. The Santa Fe railroad has used it for seven years and the Union Pacific is using it on a large scale and is burning great quantities.

Drawback to Business.

The greatest drawback to the business men just now is the poor country roads. Avenues of trade are practically blocked on account of the roads. I hope to see legislation so complete in this respect that a man or woman can go all over the country on a bicycle.—Hon. Frank Clarke of Tampa.

Indian Relics.

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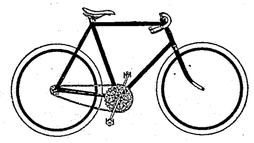
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the kind that please when you buy them and when they are worn.

Everything in Wearing Apparel for Men, Youths and Boys.

We will make it pay you to trade with us. Come and see.

F. H. NOYES, - NORWAY, MAINE.

Want any winter Clothing? You can buy it of us.

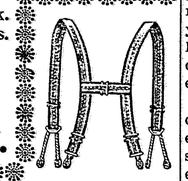
Keep Your Pants on

With the Atwood Suspender.

They Never Rip Apart in the Back.

They Never Slip Off the Shoulders.
They Do Not Pucker the Shirt in the Back.
They Never Pull the Buttons Off Your Pants.

They are the Only Suspender for FAT MEN.



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IRA C. JORDAN.

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we give

Will Bring You Back.

Men's all wool, spring Overcoats at $4.98.

Men's wool Suits at $4 a suit.

Men's all wool, Blue and Gray Clay at $6.50 and $6.75 a suit.

Men's Worsted Pants,	at $1.98 a pair
Boys' all wool Suits	at $1.75 each
Boys' Sailor Suits	at .99 each
100 dozen Silk Band Bows	at .12 1-2
100 dozen Men's sott percale Shirts, regular 50c quality,	at 29c each
200 dozen Black and Tan Hose	at 10c a pair, 3 for 25c
100 dozen 15c Suspenders	at 8c a pair

$1.00 COUPON.

This coupon will be received as part payment on any purchase of $10.00 or over, on

Saturday, May 6th.

Yankee Watch

Given Away!

To every customer purchasing goods to the amount of Ten dollars or upwards at one time. Fully guaranteed.

Coupon is not accepted when we give a watch.

Ira F. Clark & Co

One Price, Spot Cash,

Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers,

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It pays to buy at Foster's. It pays to buy at Foster's

SPRINGTIME • •

demands that you lay away that old suit and come out with something lighter. The change will not cost you much if you buy here. We will sell you a neat brown plaid suit, all wool for $5. Made with good trimmings and fitting as a good suit should fit. If you want a better one we have that, too—$6 to $15. We can't describe them all here. You must come in and see them. About spring Overcoats. They are here for $5, 6. 7.50, and $10. Large assortment of spring furnishings.

Money Back if not Suited.

H. B. FOSTER,

OPERA HOUSE BLOCK, NORWAY, ME.

It pays to buy at Foster's It pays to buy at Foster's

A HASTY JUDGMENT.

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suffering and our alienation, dates from that simple fact, I did not hear all. I only listened to the first part of your reply to Mr. Allen, and so concluded, as your opinion of me was so poor, I wouldn't delude myself longer with the thought that you cared for me. I ought to have investigated and got the *whole facts*, but, instead, I hastily sent back your letters, told the servant that if you called I was not at home, and persuaded papa to take me abroad, for I felt that, notwithstanding, I loved you so dearly, I could not bear to see your face again. Poor papa's sudden death while we were in London, left me alone in the world, and knowing the great want of nurses in New Orleans, I hastened to that city, hoping by active labor in the cause of humanity to forget my aching heart and my great sorrow. I instantly recognized you in that suffering home, and subsequently seeing it stated in the paper that Dr. Howard was sick unto death, I hastened to your aid. My love for you compelled me to this act. I found you delirious and very sick, with no one to care for you. I learned from your constant talk in your delirium, that you still loved me, that I was the object of all your thoughts, and—the rest you know and through a kind Providence how happily it has all ended."

"And now, darling, for my side of the story. I was perfectly amazed by your conduct last spring and strove to see you and demand an explanation; but I was baffled on every side, and when at last I saw your name on the Bothnia's passenger list, I concluded you were an accomplished coquette, and had only been playing with my affections. But for all that, I could not help my love for you, and so I accepted a situation in New Orleans, in the midst of death, in hopes, like you, to forget my own sorrow by working for others. You saved my life, Clare, and not only that, but you have given to me life's dearest possession— your own sweet self. Oh, my precious Clare, it makes up for all my suffering to have you again with me, and I think we can both say our lives have been purified by sorrow and that we are fitter for our duties to each other and to the world, and may this error of ours, so needless in itself, prove a warning to others."

"And let us always try to help sick and sorrowing souls, remembering that our own happiness comes only as we strive to do good to others."

TOWNS AROUND.

DENMARK.

Fred Sanborn is in Lewiston after horses.

Elwood Pendexter goes this week to Greenwood, Mass., to work.

Gus Colby went to Fryeburg, Thursday to work for the summer.

Albert Trumbull and mother with a hired woman, have gone to keeping house on the old place.

Mr. Adelbert Kilgore and wife, accompanied by his three daughters, have returned to his home at Frost's Corner, Norway.

Our schools began Monday with the following teachers: Village district, Mrs. Emily Ingalls; East Denmark, Ethel Hilton; Fessenden district, Flossie Ingalls; South road school, Mollie Berry; Liberty Corner, Linda Allen; Colby district, Mae Bradbury; Deering school, Fanny Libby; Harnden district, Lillian Gary.

The High school graduation at Odd Fellows hall, Thursday evening, was a grand affair. The graduates Misses Mollie Berry, Mollie Davis, and Linda Allen, had very fine compositions. Several other members of the school, viz: Misses Ethel Hilton, Flossie Ingalls, and Hattie Buck, had very nice selections, grandly delivered. Mr. Albert G. Eames, the teacher, started for his home in Bethel, Friday morning. Mr. Eames has given most excellent satisfaction the past year, and we hope to be fortunate enough to secure his services for another year.

WILSON'S MILLS.

J. W. Bucknam went to Berlin, last week.

N. K. Bennett recently sold a cow to W. H. Hart.

J. W. Clark has been appointed game warden, again.

School has been postponed on account of bad roads.

Quite a number from here have gone on the Diamond drive for M. D. Sturtevant.

Miss Minnie Olson, who has been at Groveton this winter, returned home last week.

MAGALLOWAY.

W. W. Linnell went to Berlin, last week.

R. A. Story is clerking for M. D. Sturtevant.

B. H. Flint is in town with his sawing machine, working up people's woodpiles.

The Berlin Mills Co. is sending its drivers up river at the rate of forty per day.

M. D. Sturtevant has driven six millions of lumber out of Swift Diamond, for the I. P. Co.

HANOVER.

G. A. Virgin is painting his saw mill.

C. B. Frost recently exchanged horses.

Miss Helen Roberts has begun her school in the upper district.

Sophia Roberts with the Bartlett children have gone to Bethel. They have rent in Scott Wight's house.

NORTH NORWAY.

W. M. Meserve has his potatoes and beans planted.

Angie French is teaching school in Greenwood this spring.

Mrs J. L. Herrick is very sick with heart and other troubles.

Dana Bartlett has hired to work for the Steam Mill Co. at the Lake.

Mr. Rowe and his assistant have lately painted C. A. Frost's buildings.

Freeman Haskell has been setting out ornamental trees in his door yard.

Mrs. B. P. French who has been at Jamaica Plains all winter has returned to her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Simmons' reception Tuesday evening was largely attended and they were the recipient of many presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Asaph Richardson gave a dinner Fast Day to their neighbors and friends; long tables were spread in parlor and dining-room, and many partook of the bounteous feast, so kindly served by the hostess.

Mrs. Nathan Noble has gone to her mother's to spend the summer.

Little Miss Edna Cummings from South Paris, has come to spend the summer with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Judkins.

Whooping Cough.

I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of that remedy, I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—J. L. Moore, South Burgettstown, Pa. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills.

Cottage for Sale.

Situated on Easterly side of

Lake Pennesseewassee,

Norway, Oxford Co., Maine

50 miles from Portland, Me., 2 miles from Norway Village. Cottage 18x28, story and one-half, 8-foot piazza on three sides, ell extension 12x14, one acre of land with pine grove on shore of lake, steamer lands at wharf near cottage twice a day. Ice house connected filled with sufficient ice for season. Cottage furnished with stove, dishes, beds, chairs, etc. An extended view up and down the lake. Price $500.00. Excellent salmon and bass fishing. Possession given immediately.

WM. C. LEAVITT, NORWAY, ME.

..CEYLON ROWE..

WHY IS IT THAT PEOPLE FLOCK TO OUR STORE?

BECAUSE

They are always welcome.
They are delighted with our new department store.
They are delighted with our new and complete stock of goods.
They are delighted to find the very article for which they have been looking.
They are more than delighted when we tell them the prices.

It has been a source of great delight to us since we opened our immense stock of spring and summer goods, to welcome the multitude of people who have flocked to our store, and note the complete joy and satisfaction that have been theirs as they have become the possessors of the *genuine bargains* found in the various departments.

A few of the things to be seen.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT

A few of the things to be seen is well put, for there are thousands of dollars worth of nice things to be found that we cannot mention here.

Come in and look over our

SHIRT WAIST COUNTER

Here you will find all the newest designs in silk, also cotton, in all the popular shades. All prices from 25c.

JACKETS AND CAPES.

We have an endless variety of Jackets and Capes at prices to suit the various pocket books. We solicit your inspection of the same.

DRESS GOODS.

Our Dress Goods department is complete in every detail, and is overflowing with all the choiest and latest ideas. Full line of new spring Fabrics in black and colors. We pride ourselves in this department.

N. B.—WE AIM TO PLEASE.

SKIRTS.

We have an extra line of Skirts and Dress Skirts to choose from, all new in style and finish, and at almost unheard of prices.

MISCELLANEOUS.

We said we couldn't begin to enumerate, and we can't, but we have the goods; they were bought at a bargain, they are being sold at a bargain, and when they are gone we know where we can get more. See our line of Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, Shoes, Slippers, Gloves Neckwear, etc., etc.

MEN'S DEPARTMENT.

CLOTHING.

Please stop just a moment and look at the reasonable side of this clothing question with us. Is there any reason why we should not give you better bargains than you can get in the cities? Bear in mind that we buy our goods for spot cash and in large quantities, hence we can buy as cheap as any clothier in New England. City rent, city taxes and a hundred and one city expenses are not ours to bear. Do you know what becomes of this saving? It is given to our customers and that is what enables us to offer all wool suits that would cost you from $12 to $15 elsewhere, for $9.00. Come in and see whether it is a bargain or only a bluff.

Don't get the idea that because we are not located in Portland or Boston, that we have no assortment of goods, but come and be convinced to the contrary. We have suits at all prices from 25c up. See them before you buy.

N. B.—OUR PRICES ARE RIGHT.

HATS AND CAPS.

Quantities of hats and caps, new and stylish. Our supply would stock a pretty good hat store, and our prices, well there is no comparison.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Here you will find one of the largest and most completestock of boots and shoes found under one roof in Oxford County. We sell other things so we don't have to make all our profit on boots and shoes. Come and see us.

N. B.—OUR GOODS ARE NEW.

RUM SHORTENS LIFE.

LIFE INSURANCE FIGURES FURNISH STARTLING FACTS.

Records of Thirty Years Show That Total Abstainers Are 22.8 Per Cent Better Risks Than Are Tipplers. For Drinkers to Consider.

Half a century ago a well to do Londoner rebelled at paying the 10 per cent additional premium which was then assessed upon total abstainers by life insurance companies. The additional 10 per cent was charged because total abstainers were supposed to be extra hazardous risks. The tables are now turned. The day is at hand when total abstainers get insurance at a lower rate than tipplers, and liquor dealers are forced to pay an extra rate in premiums on account of their hazardous occupation.

The rebellion of this Englishman resulted in the formation of what is now known as the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident institution, a life insurance company that classifies the tipplers separately from the total abstainers and makes each class pay the rates which its respective death rate calls for.

The year 1897 showed the smallest difference between the death ratio of the two sections of any year since the formation of the society, 48 years ago, but the average of all these years shows 21.6 per cent advantage in favor of the total abstainer.

This saving runs into cash rapidly. Below is given the record of cash claims paid out by this society during the year 1897 in the two sections:

DEATH CLAIMS OF THE TWO SECTIONS FOR 1897.	Expected claims.	Actual claims.	Per cent.
General section.....	$522,725	$482,050	92.2
Temperance section...	485,420	348,500	71.8
Per cent in favor of the total abstainers,			20.4

This cash balance sheet shows that the ratio of expected claims to actual claims was 20.4 per cent in favor of the total abstainers. On Oct. 22 last The Insurance Monitor, the great London insurance journal, printed this society's report for 1897, in which new business to the extent of nearly $4,000,000 was added to the books of the company, and it said editorially, "The superiority of life in the temperance section is obvious."

The policies of the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident institution are now written wherever the British flag floats. Its success has been so marked that, 15 years ago, the Scottish Temperance Life association was formed in Edinburgh. Like its London parent, the total abstainers were classified separately from the general section, and the temperance folk were given the benefit of their abstinence. The company now has more than 10,000 members. During the year 1897 1,424 new policies were issued. New insurance to the extent of $1,776,875 was written. In its 15 years of existence the records of the Scottish Life show a percentage of 22 in favor of total abstainers.

At this meeting nearly $14,000 surplus earnings were directly applied toward the payment of premiums of total abstainers in addition to the regular dividends of 27 per cent.

Fourteen years ago the Abstainers' and General Life Insurance company was formed at London on the same plan as that of the original society and the Edinburgh concern. Its reports tell the same story and practically the same difference in the expectancy of life in the two classes appears. It also has been a big financial success. In the first issue of The Voice ever published, Sept. 23, 1884, President Greene of the Connecticut Life Insurance company gave the result of some investigations that he had made on this subject. He said:

In one of our largest cities, containing a great population of beer drinkers, I had occasion to note the deaths among a large group of persons whose habits, in their own eyes and those of their friends and physicians, were temperate, but they were habitual users of beer. When the observations began, they were, on the average, something under middle age, and they were, of course, selected lives. For two or three years there was nothing very remarkable to be noted among this group. Presently death began to strike it, and until it dwindled to a fraction of its original proportions the mortality in it was astounding in extent and still more remarkable in its manifest destiny of cause and mode. And this, in its main features, varying, of course, in degree, has been my observation of beer drinking everywhere.

Ten years ago the American Temperance Life Insurance association was formed in New York city, and it deals in nothing but total abstinence risks. It has had remarkable success and has paid something like $200,000 in death claims. President Frank Delano is now for the first time compiling the results of their years of existence. He tells The New Voice that, while he would not have the exact data until he has completed his work, the results of their business show that the ratio of their death rate to that of general risks is about 26 per cent in favor of the total abstainer.

Summarizing these various facts, we have the following results:

	Per cent in favor of total abstainer.
Thirty-two years' record of the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident institution.....	20.4
Fifteen years' record of the Scottish Temperance Life association.....	22
Ten years' experience of the American Temperance Life Insurance company, estimated by President Delano.....	26
General average.....	22.8

—New Voice.

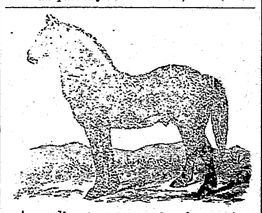
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Are prepared from Nature's mild laxatives, and while gentle are reliable and efficient. They

Rouse the Liver

Cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, and Constipation. Sold everywhere, 25c. per box.

Prepared by C.I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.



According to our usual spring custom I will receive 2 cars (40) Horses each week, Tuesday and Friday, commencing April 4, '99. Sizes 1000 to 1800 lbs. Prices low as ever. $75 to $110 buys a young sound horse, (extra large and fancy may cost a little more). A large stock of Harness. We are pleased to show goods. Correspondence solicited.

JONAS EDWARDS,

AUBURN, - MAINE.

TELEPHONE CALL..... 54-3.



THE FORCED DRAFT.

The Advantages That Come From Its Use Under Marine Boilers.

Although forced draft for increasing the rate of combustion was used in the United States navy during the civil war it did not come into general use for naval vessels until about 1882 and in the merchant service still later, but since that time its use has become universal. Indeed were it not for forced draft boiler weights would be so great as to have long ago set a limit to speeds of the faster classes of vessels. When natural draft alone was used, the maximum rate of combustion with the best free burning coal and good chimney draft did not reach 30 pounds per square foot of grate. With forced draft in large cylindrical boilers there are now numerous reliable records of 40 pounds per square foot, while in locomotive and water tube boilers 80 pounds is now a common rate.

While the economy of evaporation at these high rates of combustion is not so great as under natural draft the enormous reduction in boiler weights is very marked.

Trials of the boiler of the United States torpedo boat Cushing, for example, show an increase in I. H. P. per ton of boiler of over 50 per cent when the rate of combustion is increased from 24 to 40 pounds per square foot of grate, which means a decrease in weight per I. H. P. of over 33 per cent.

Except on Mr. Howden's part the question of economy under forcing was for a long time ignored, designers being content with the great gain in power. At the present time, however, the question of economy under forcing is receiving great attention, and we may confidently anticipate this as one of the features of progress in marine engineering. — Commodore George W. Melville, U. S. N., in Cassier's Magazine For March.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Washing Blankets.

Blankets washed in the following way are soft and light as new: Dissolve a tablespoonful of pulverized borax and a pint of soft soap. Make a strong suds in cold water. Put in the blankets and let them remain in all night. In the morning work them up and down with the hands and put them into another tub of cold water. Rinse them through three waters and hang them up without wringing. When they have hung a little while, turn them half round. Choose a sunny day with some breeze.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed. 10c, 25c, 50c.

Danger Signals!

Do you take cold with every change in the weather? Does your throat feel raw? And do sharp pains dart through your chest?

Don't you know these are danger signals which point to pneumonia, bronchitis, or consumption itself?

If you are ailing and have lost flesh lately, they are certainly danger signals. The question for you to decide is, "Have I the vitality to throw off these diseases?"

Don't wait to try SCOTT'S EMULSION "as a last resort." There is no remedy equal to it for fortifying the system. Prevention is easy.

Scott's Emulsion

prevents consumption and hosts of other diseases which attack the weak and those with poor blood.

SCOTT'S EMULSION is the one standard remedy for inflamed throats and lungs, for colds, bronchitis and consumption. It is a food medicine of remarkable power. A food, because it nourishes the body; and a medicine, because it corrects diseased conditions.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York

FLY 30 YARDS! Send 25 cts. for one of our aerial tops, and we will show you how to make it fly 30 yards. packed in box, a miniature **FLYING MACHINE**, our **Aerial Top**, guaranteed to fly 30 yards. Any child can work it. **M. & M. NOVELTY CO., 20 Baxter Building, Portland, Maine.**

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At Less than Wholesale Cost,

I have some broken lots of Wall Papers that are all right in style and quality that I shall offer for sale at less than cost, to make room for

the Largest stock of New Papers to be found in the County. Choice Patterns.

PRICES RIGHT.

Wiley's Drug Store.

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO'Y OF NEW YORK.

RICHARD A. McCURDY, PRESIDENT.

Statement for the Year Ending Dec. 31st, 1898

According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

INCOME.	
Received for Premiums	$42,318,718 51
From all other Sources	12,687,880 92
	$55,006,629 43
DISBURSEMENTS.	
To Policy-holders for Claims by Death	$13,265,908 00
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	11,185,751 35
For all other Accounts	10,193,379 53
	$35,245,038 88
ASSETS	
United States Bonds and other Securities	$160,956,141 33
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	68,503,580 90
Loans on Bonds and other Securities	9,396,619 00
Real Estate, appraised by Insurance Superintendents at $23,534,826.88: Book Value	20,604,649 61
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	11,621,377 36
Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.,	6,431,957 16
	$277,517,325 36
LIABILITIES	
Policy Reserves, etc.,	$233,058,640 68
Contingent Guarantee Fund	42,228,684 68
Divisible Su	2,220,000 00
	$277,517,325 36
Insurance and Annuities in force	$971,711,997 79

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department,

— Chas. A. Preller, Auditor.

From the Divisible Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

NOTE—Insurance merely written is discarded from this Statement as misleading, and only insurance actually issued and paid for in cash is included.

Agents for Oxford County,

FREELAND HOWE, Norway, Maine.
ARTHUR E. MORRISON, Rumford Falls, Maine.

GRASS SEED.

We have just unloaded a lot of Timothy, Red Top, and Hungarian Seed.

ALSIKE, PEA VINE and N. Y. CLOVER.

These seeds test 99 per cent. pure.

LAND PLASTER.

A GOOD SUPPLY OF CORN, MEAL, OATS, FEED and BRAN.

We are agents for the LILY WHITE flour, one of the best all around flours brought into the market. Also nice grades of Michigan and patent flour.

Groceries and Dry Goods.

Always on hand—Lime, Cement and Salt.

WOODBURY & PURINGTON.

Ripans Tabules: one gives relief.